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## Newsletter of the Wadebridge Renewable Energy Network

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## WREN AGM Reminder

The WREN Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th October at 7 pm in the Egloshayle Pavilion, Egloshayle Road, Wadebridge. A formal notice of meeting has been sent out by email to members. Click [here](#) for agenda and other documents.

## Community Funds

The Nanstallon Community Fund is now open to make grants for projects in Nanstallon, with £420 available.

This money comes from the Wadebridge Energy Company's 100kW solar array at Nanstallon, which powers the South West Water sewage plant there.

To be eligible for funds you need to be a community group or voluntary organisation or a not for profit organisation. The closing date for applications is 31st October and the results will be announced by the end of November. Projects should either provide services or opportunities for disadvantaged people or enhance and enrich the social, community or cultural life of the area. Click [here](#) for information on how to apply.

The **Middle Treworder Solar Farm community fund** closed for applications on 13th September and grants totalling £10,596 were awarded.

- Egloshayle Parish Church: £2396 for replacement seating in the church.
- Friends of St Breock Primary School: £1086 for replacement playground equipment for years 3-6.
- Wadebridge Carnival: £1541 towards the costs of the 2018 Carnival.
- Wadebridge Scouts and Guides: £409 for their Crafts Fayre to promote art and crafts.
- Wadebridge Creative Hub: £1540 towards the costs of Bikelights 2018.
- Time to Shine CIC: £975 towards the costs of the Mexican Day of the Dead Festival, October 2018.
- Loaves & Fishes Café: £500 towards the costs of a commercial dishwasher.
- Camhayle Theatre Club: £237 to purchase digital controls for LED lighting.
- St Mabyn School PTA: £599 for sound equipment.
- Wadebridge Churches Together: £200 towards the costs of the Holiday Club in October 2017.
- Wadebridge Tennis Club: £1113 for clubhouse and court improvements.

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## Cornwall's energy revolution

The BBC Radio 4 programme "Costing the Earth" recently did a programme entitled ***Battery Powered Britain***, focusing on Cornwall, and including an interview with Shaun Hawkey of the Olde House at Chapel Amble. Worth a listen on BBC iPlayer (30 minutes): <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0938p7z>

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## Charging electric cars

In July our communications director, Kevin Smith, was involved in an exchange of letters in the Cornish Guardian, about charging electric cars. An extended version of his letter is on the [WREN Blog here](#).

(Kevin has a Renault Zoe on order and is fortunate enough to have a drive to park it while charging.)

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## Fully Charged

Which links us neatly into a Fully Charged episode about the Renault Zoe and Formula E motor racing. Click here to watch.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gxGauhTIRXQ&feature=em-subsdigest>

And here's a good news update from Fully Charged: A massive EV quarry truck, huge offshore wind turbines, cars with solar PV and.... a Giraffe charger

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ko-l-CSqV\\_8&feature=em-subsdigest](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ko-l-CSqV_8&feature=em-subsdigest)

Fully Charged is a You Tube channel concerned with renewable energy in all its forms, and particularly electric vehicles, hosted by Robert Llewellyn (Kryten, for fans of Red Dwarf). If you follow the links to these episodes, you'll find earlier ones on the You Tube web site. Worth a look. It's free to subscribe to the You Tube channel, and you can also support it financially.

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